THE MINISTER OF AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES (SHRI MAHAVIR PRASAD): (a) to (d) To promote the use of khadi products through the country, including urban areas, the Government, through the Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC), has taken several initiatives, *viz.*, (i) organizing exhibitions at national/zonal/district levels, (ii) participation in national and international exhibitions, (iii) providing financial assistance under Product Development, Design Intervention and Packaging (PRODIP) Scheme for improved designs and packaging of khadi products, (iv) launching 'Mission Khadi' to convert the khadi fabric into ready-made garments of latest designs, targetting mainly the urban areas, (v) launching brand name "Khadi India" for khadi products, (vi) launching Scheme of Fund for Regeneration of Traditional Industries (SFURTI) for implementation in 25 khadi clusters for their holistic development over five years beginning 2005-06, etc.

Loans under PMRY in J&K

2096. SHRI T.S. BAJWA: Will the Minister of AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of educated persons in Jammu and Kashmir who have applied for loans to establish their ventures under Pradhan Mantri Rozgar Yojana during the last two years, year-wise?

(b) the applications approved and loans sanctioned; and

(c) the guidelines laid down in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES (SHRI MAHAVIR PRASAD): (a) and (b) The year-wise number of loan applications received in Jammu and Kashmir under the Prime Minister's Rozgar Yojana (PMRY), targets of sanction of loan and the number of cases sanctioned loans during the last two years are as follows:

Number of self-employment units			
Year	Target	Applications received	Sanctioned loans
2003-04	1150	6786	792
2004-05	2000	4592	747

(c) Under the PMRY, the States/Union Territories (UTs) are allocated annual targets based on the population, number of unemployed youth registered with the employment exchange in the State, performance in the preceding year, etc. The District Industries Centres (DICs) of States and UTs receive applications from the educated unemployed youth for loans for setting up self-employment projects and recommend applications found eligible after scrutiny to banks for sanction of loans. Branches of banks sanction and disburse loans to the applicants whose project proposals are found to be viable.

Performance of projects under PMRY in J&K

2097. SHRI T.S. BAJWA: Will the Minister of AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received the performance of on-going projects under the Pradhan Mantri Rozgar Yojana in Jammu and Kashmir; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES (SHRI MAHAVIR PRASAD): (a) and (b) Against the target of 1588 cases for sanction of loan under the Prime Minister's Rozgar Yojana in Jammu and Kashmir (J&K) for 2005-06, the Government is yet to receive the final number of cases of loan sanctioned. In 2004-05, 747 cases of loan were sanctioned in J&K against the target of 2000.

Financial assistance by KVIC

2098. SHRI C. RAMACHANDRAIAH: Will the Minister of AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the conditions stipulated to provide financial assistance by Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC) to eligible entrepreneurs are being strictly implemented;

(b) if not, the number of complaints received by Government in this regard during the last three years for violation of these conditions;

(c) the action taken by Government in this regard;